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# **AN-6608**Glossary of JFET Measurement Parameters

### **Summary**

The Glossary provides details on how to measure, and refer to, various JFET parameters to assure that the JFET meets its specifications and will function correctly in an application. It also provides test circuits and a system of names, terms and rules to refer to, or define, each parameter.

DC PARAMETERS		
BV <sub>DGO</sub> (V) or BV <sub>GDO</sub>	Drain-Gate Breakdown Voltage with Source Open-Circuited  The breakdown voltage of the drain-gate junction, measured at a specified current with the source open-circuited.	S D VDGO IG
BV <sub>SGO</sub> (V) or BV <sub>GSO</sub>	Source-Gate Breakdown Voltage with Drain Open-Circuited  The breakdown voltage of the source-gate junction, measured at a specified current, with the drain open-circuited.	D S VSGO IG
BV <sub>GSS</sub> (V) or BV, V(BR)GSS	Source-Gate Breakdown Voltage with Drain-Source Shorted  The breakdown voltage of the source-gate and drain-gate junctions, measured at a specified current with the drain-source shorted.	s D V <sub>GS</sub>
IDGO (pA) or IGDO	Drain-Gate Leakage Current, Source Open-Circuited  The leakage current of the drain-gate junction, measured at a specified voltage, with the source open-circuited.	V <sub>DG</sub> + V <sub>DG</sub>
I <sub>D</sub> (μΑ) or I <sub>D</sub> (ON)	Drain ON Current  The drain current, measured at a specified drain-source voltage and gate-source voltage.	
ID(OFF) (pA)	Drain Cutoff Current  The drain cutoff current, measured at a specified drain-source voltage and gate-source voltage.	v <sub>GS</sub> v <sub>DS</sub> v <sub>DS</sub>

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IDSS (mA)	Drain Saturation Current	Ipss	
	The drain current, measured at a specified drain- source voltage with the source shorted to the gate $(V_{GS} = 0)$	v <sub>DS</sub> Z v <sub>DS</sub>	
IG (pA) or IG(ON)	Gate Leakage Current with Drain Current Flowing  The gate leakage current, measured at a specified drain current and drain-gate voltage.	IG S IS = ID VDG	
IGSS (pA)	Gate-Source Reverse Leakage Current with Drain-Source Shorted  The gate-source reverse leakage current measured at a specified gate-source voltage.	S V <sub>GS</sub> + V <sub>GS</sub>	
Isgo (pA) or Igso	Source-Gate Reverse Leakage Current with Drain Open-Circuited  The leakage current of the source-gate junction, measured at a specified voltage, with the drain open-circuited.	S VSG Z VSG	
$r_{DS}$ $(\Omega)$ or $r_{ds}$ , $R_{DS}$ , $r_{DS}$ $(ON)$	Drain-Source ON Resistance  The drain-source ON resistance, measured at a specified gate-source voltage and drain current.	v <sub>as</sub> v <sub>Ds</sub>	
VDS(ON) (mV)	Drain-Source ON Voltage  The drain-source ON voltage, measured at a specified gate-source voltage and drain current.	$r_{DS} = \frac{V_{DS}}{I_{D}}$	
V <sub>GS</sub> (V) or V <sub>GS</sub> (ON), V <sub>G</sub>	Operating Gate-Source Voltage  The gate-source voltage, measured at a specified drain current and drain-source voltage.	V <sub>GS</sub> V <sub>DS</sub> V <sub>DS</sub> V <sub>DS</sub>	
V <sub>GS(F)</sub> (V)	Forward Gate-Source Voltage  The forward gate-source voltage, measured at specified current.	IG VGS(F)	
VGS(OFF) (V) or Vp	Gate-Source Cutoff (Pinch-Off) Voltage  The gate-source cutoff voltage, measured at a specified drain current and drain-source voltage.	V <sub>GS</sub> V <sub>DS</sub> V <sub>T</sub> V <sub>T</sub>	

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C <sub>iss</sub> (pF) or C <sub>iss</sub> , C <sub>gss</sub>	Common-Source Input Capacitance  The common-source input capacitance measured between the gate and source with the drain A—C shorted to the source at specified drain-source and gate-source voltages.	R <sub>fc</sub> V <sub>gs</sub> +
C <sub>OSS</sub> (pF) or C <sub>OS</sub> , C <sub>dss</sub>	Common-Source Output Capacitance  The common-source output capacitance, measured between the drain and source with the source A—C shorted to the gate at specified drain-source and gate-source voltages.	R <sub>FC</sub> C <sub>oss</sub> V <sub>DS</sub>
C <sub>rss</sub> (pF) or C <sub>rs</sub> , C <sub>dg</sub>	Common-Source Reverse Transfer Capacitance  The common-source reverse transfer capacitance, measured between the drain and gate at specified drain-source and gate source voltages.	C <sub>rss</sub> G S PFC V <sub>DS</sub>
e <sub>n</sub> (nV/√Hz) or e <sub>n</sub> , V <sub>n</sub> , E <sub>n</sub>	Equivalent Input Noise Voltage  The equivalent input noise voltage per unit bandwidth, measured with the input A—C shorted to the source at a specified operating condition.	
gfg (mV) or yfg	Common- Gate Forward Transconductance  The common-gate forward transconductance with the output A—C shorted. This is a complex quantity (gfg + jbfg).	$V_{GS} = \frac{I_{D}}{V_{GS}}  _{V_{DS} = 0}$
g <sub>fs</sub> (mV) or g <sub>m</sub> , Y <sub>fs</sub> , Re Y <sub>fs</sub>	Common-Source Forward Transconductance $ \label{eq:common_source} The \ common \ source forward \ transconductance \\ with \ the \ output \ A-C \ shorted. \ This \ is \ a \ complex \\ quantity \ (g_{fs}+j_{bfs}). $	$Y_{fs} = \frac{I_D}{V_{GS}} \bigg _{V_{DS} = 0}$
g <sub>iss</sub> (μV) or Y <sub>is</sub>	Common-Source Input Conductance $ \label{eq:common-source} The \ common-source input conductance \ with the output A-C shorted. This is a complex quantity  (g_{is}+j_{bis}). $	$Y_{is} = \frac{I_G}{V_{GS}} \bigg _{V_{DS} = 0}$
g <sub>oss</sub> (μV) or Y <sub>os</sub>	Common-Source Output Conductance $ \begin{tabular}{ll} The common source output conductance with the input A-C shorted. This is a complex quantity $(g_{os}+j_{bos})$. \end{tabular} $	$Y_{OS} = \frac{I_{D}}{V_{DS}} \Big _{V_{GS} = 0}$

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G <sub>pg</sub> (dB)	Common-Gate Power Gain	
	The common-gate power gain is the ratio of output power to input power.	C = 10.1== Po
GPS (dB)	Common-Source Power Gain	$G_p = 10 \log_{10} \frac{P_0}{P_1'}$
	The common-source power gain is the ratio of output power to input power.	
i <sub>n</sub> (pA/√Hz)	Equivalent Input Noise Current	antigrande de la companya de la comp
	The equivalent input noise current measured with the input open-circuited under specified operating conditions.	
NF (dB)	Spot Noise Figure	
	Noise figure = 10 log <sub>10</sub> F were F is noise factor which is the ratio of the total output noise power to the output noise power of the source. Measured at specified operating conditions and source resistance.	F = Total Output Noise Power Source Output Noise Power
COMMON-SOUR	CE SWITCHING PARAMETERS	
	In the following, drive circuit conditions and drain circuit conditions must be specified. The transition times of the input must be negligible compared to the measured times.	V <sub>DD</sub> O V <sub>OUT</sub>
td(ON)	Turn-On Delay Time	BIN S
	The time interval during turn-on from the point when the input pulse at the gate reaches 10% of its full amplitude to the point when the drain pulse changes from 0 to 10% of its maximum amplitude.	<u> </u>
t <sub>r</sub>	Rise Time	$I_{D(ON)} = \frac{V_{DD} - V_{DS(ON)}}{R_I}$
	The time interval during turn-on in which the drain current pulse changes from 10% to 90% of its maximum amplitude.	1
td(OFF)	Turn-Off Delay Time	100
	The time interval during turn-off from the point when the turn-off pulse at the gate changes from 100% to 90% of its full amplitude to the time when the drain current has changed from 100% to 90% of its maximum amplitude.	1 <sub>D(ON)</sub> (%) 10 0 td(ON)
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Fall Time

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The time interval during turn-off in which the drain current pulse decreases from 90% to 10% of

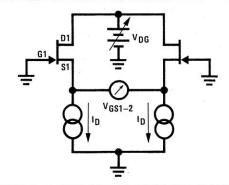
DUAL FET PARAM	METERS	
BVG1, G2 (V) or BVG1-2	Gate to Gate Breakdown Voltage  The breakdown voltage of the gate to gate junctions, measured at a specified current.	SUB O BVG1,G2 O IG
CMRR (dB) or CMR	Common-Mode Rejection Ratio  The common-mode rejection ratio is the ratio of the change in differential gate voltage with a change in the drain to gate voltage. $CMRR = 20 \log_{10} \frac{\Delta V_{DG}}{\Delta V_{OS}}$	I AVDG AVGS ID
9fs1—2 (%) or 9fs1/9fs2	Common-Source Forward Transconductance Ratio (Match)  The transconductance ratio = $g_{fs1}/g_{fs2} \times 100$ (%) measured at specified drain-gate voltage and drain current.	
g <sub>oss</sub> 1-2 (μV) or g <sub>os</sub> 1–2	Common-Source Output Conductance (Match)  Output conductance match = $ g_{OS1} - g_{OS2} $ measured at specified drain-gate voltage and drain current.	
IDSS1-2 (%) or IDS1-2, IDSS1/IDSS2	Drain Saturation Current Ratio (Match)  The drain saturation current ratio = IDSS1/IDSS2 x 100% measured at specified drain-source voltages.	
IG1-2 (pA)	Differential Gate Leakage Current  Differential gate leakage current =  IG1-IG2  measured at specified drain-gate voltage and drain current.	
IG1, G2 (pA)	Gate to Gate Reverse Leakage Current  The gate to gate reverse leakage measured at a specified voltage monolithic dual with diode isolation shown.	SUB O V <sub>G1,G2</sub> V <sub>G1,G2</sub> V <sub>G1,G2</sub>

#### **DUAL FET PARAMETERS**

 $V_{GS1-2}$  (mV) or  $\Delta V_{GS}$ ,  $V_{os}$ ,  $|V_{GS1}-V_{GS2}|$ 

#### Differential Gate-Source Voltage

The differential gate-source voltage, measured at a specified drain-gate voltage and drain current.

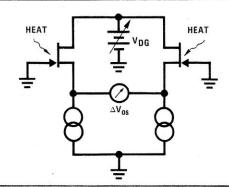


 $\Delta V_{GS1-2} (\mu V/^{\circ}C)$ or  $\Delta |V_{GS1}-V_{GS2}|/\Delta T$  $\Delta V_{os}/\Delta T$ 

#### Differential Gate-Source Voltage Drift

The differential gate-source voltage drift is the change in the differential gate-source voltage with a change in device temperature at a specified operating condition.

$$\frac{\Delta V_{OS}}{\Delta T} = \left| \frac{(V_{GS1} - V_{GS2})|T_1 - (V_{GS1} - V_{GS2})|T_2}{T_1 - T_2} \right|$$



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